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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed October 12, 2006 in connection with the above-captioned patent application. The response is due by January 12, 2007; this response is, therefore, timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of claims** which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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